

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Stephen J. Todd et al.  
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STORAGE CAPACITY  
Examiner: T. S. Najee-Ullah  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 13, 2010, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration. To further the prosecution of this application, each of the rejections set forth in the Office Action has been carefully considered and is addressed below. The application as presented is believed to be in condition for allowance.

**Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §101**

The Office Action rejects each of claims 21-32, 34-40, 80-88, and 90-96 under 35 U.S.C. §101, asserting that these claims are directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Office Action notes that each of these claims is directed to at least one “computer readable medium,” and contends that the term “computer readable medium” is understood by those skilled in the art to